The National Commission for Minorities submitted a report wherein it has been recommended, *inter alia*, for providing basic amenities and livelihood in the rehabilitation colonies with respect to the inmates of 47 relief camps in various districts of Gujarat.

- (b) The State Government has been requested to consider measures to ensure improvements in the quality of life by creation of basic infrastructure and provision of civic amenities.
 - (c) Does not arise.
 - (d) No, Sir.
 - (e) Does not arise.

Investigation Committee for Nithari case

†957. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs constituted any high level committee in January, 2007 for investigation into the skeleton incidents in villages Nithari of Uttar Pradesh;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government have received the report of this Committee; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof, along with the action taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Women and Child Development had constituted a Committee to investigate into allegation of large scale sexual abuse, rape and murder of children in Nithari village of NOIDA, Uttar Pradesh. The Committee submitted its report on 17th January, 2007. The Committee has *inter-alia*, suggested that the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) should look into all angles including organ trade, sexual exploitation and other forms of crimes against women and children besides recommending certain measures to avoid such incidents in future.

[†] Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

The Government has examined the report of the Committee and has sent a copy to the Central Bureau of Investigation. The case was also handed over to the Central Bureau of Investigation by the State Government *vide* their notification dated, 9/1/2007 for further investigation.

Fencing in J&K

- 958. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to protect fencing on the extreme border, in J&K, which is generally under threat from the other side;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to remove the border fencing which is upto five kms. inside the border, so as to shift the same to the extreme end of the border so that the land so reclaimed can be used by the owners; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof in both the cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) The International Border in Jammu region is guarded by Border Security Force. Appropriate measures like patrolling, nakas, night vision devices etc. are in place to ensure that infiltration does not take place by damaging the fence. The fence is also maintained/repaired by the concerned agencies of the Government.

(b) and (c) The Security Fence on Jammu International Border is generally at a distance of 150—500 mtr. from International Border with provisions for gates at appropriate distance to facilitate the farmers to go ahead of fencing for cultivation of their land. However, BSF has mooted a proposal to shift a stretch of 38.015 km fence erected at a distance varying from 400 mtr to 1.5 km away from the International border to bring it closer to the International border.

Training of Police Forces for taking Naxalism

- 959. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that police forces in Naxlite affected States are generally illequipped and ill-trained to successfully combat the threat; and